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OR90-340

Dear Mr. Davis:

You ask whether certain information is subject to required public disclosure under the Texas Open Records Act, article 6252-17a, V.T.C.S. Your request was assigned ID# 10019.

The Fort Worth Police Department received an open records request for the "Police Report leading to the warrant for my arrest on Burgary [sic]." You state that the city has released to the requestor portions of the requested documents, but you contend that other portions of the documents may be withheld pursuant to sections 3(a)(1), 3(a)(3), and 3(a)(8).

We have considered the exceptions you claimed and have reviewed the documents at issue. A previous determination of this office, Open Records Decision No. 127 (1976), resolves your request. Pursuant to that decision and Houston Chronicle Publishing Co. v. City of Houston, 531 S.W.2d 177 (Tex. Civ. App. - Houston [14th Dist.] 1975), writ ref'd n.r.e. per curiam, 536 S.W.2d 559 (Tex. 1976), you must release to the requestor, in addition to what has previously been released to him, the identification and description of the complainant and the detailed description of the offense. You may, however, withhold the identity and statements of witnesses pursuant to section 3(a)(8).

Because case law and prior published open records decisions resolve your request, we are resolving this matter with this informal letter ruling rather than with a published open records decision. If you have questions about this ruling, please refer to OR90-340.

Yours very truly,

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